Colorado for Family Values

Dear Concerned Coloradan,

If the media had been telling you the truth about Amendment 2 and Colorado for Family Values, I probably wouldn't be writing you today.

I wouldn't need to.

If the truth were being told, I wouldn't need to explain to anyone why Colorado for Family Values stands at the forefront of one of our nation's pivotal battles.

There'd be no question that we're fighting -- today more than ever -- for your rights. For all of our rights.

We're fighting for your right to disagree. Your right to hold and to practice beliefs considered "politically-incorrect" by the media elite. The right to hold traditional values in an age when those values are under attack from the militant homosexual lobby.

So today, I'm writing to share with you some of the facts
you may not have heard -- and to ask for your help.

Let me start with the truth about our state's constitution. Consider what militant homosexuals are telling you, compared to what Colorado for Family Values has fought for.

The Militant Homosexuals lobby says: *"The fact that a majority voted [for Amendment 2] does not make it legal ..."* Jim Joy, Colorado executive director of the ACLU.

The Truth: Apparently, the homosexual lobby thinks it's all right for the majority to vote -- as long as that vote conforms with a "politically correct" outcome. They want you to think only the liberal courts should hold political power. They don't want you to know what the Colorado Constitution says:

". . . political power is vested in and derived from the people. . ."
". . . The people of this state have the sole and exclusive right of government themselves . . . and to alter and abolish their constitution and form of government whenever they may deem it necessary."
(Emphases added)

We're working to get out the truth on that subject and more:

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Militant Homosexuals say: *"The right to an income is not a special right... The right to walk down the street without getting bashed -- these are not special rights, these are basic human rights. The Far Right wants to impose its fundamentalist priorities on America."* Homosexual activist Robert Bray, quoted in the Progressive, March 1993.

The Truth: Actually, Colorado for Family Values is fighting to preserve the true meaning of America's civil-rights movement. We all share the basic, equal rights of citizenship. Protected status should be reserved only for the truly disadvantaged. If we give away the protected status of the oppressed to a wealthy sexual interest group, Martin Luther King and others will have fought in vain.

Militant Homosexuals say: *"If there is an overarching gay political agenda, it is simply this: lesbian, gay and bisexual people want the same things that all Americans want -- the right to live, work and raise children with dignity and without fear of discrimination based on who we are."* - Pamphlet distributed by the pro-homosexual group "Equality Colorado."

The Truth: There is a militant homosexual agenda. It's angry and it's aggressive. Here's what the Gay and Lesbian Community Center of Colorado vowed in a December 14 press release immediately following Bayless' decision:

"We urge varied and aggressive actions to eradicate the ignorance and bigotry which produced Amendment 2, and we issue a call for opponents of Amendment 2 to flood the state in our continuing battle against heterosexism, homophobia and discrimination..."
[Emphases added]

Still think there's "no militant homosexual agenda"? If you disagree with these extremists, they want your views "eradicated!" We've been documenting statements like this for nearly three years now. Anyone who actively disapproves of homosexuality is to be branded a "homophobe" or a "heterosexist," then prosecuted by law. That's an agenda.

Even as you read this letter, they're planning to "flood the state" and push through more ordinances like those passed in Denver, Telluride, Crested Butte, Boulder and Aspen, -- telling those who disapprove of homosexuality they have no right to run their businesses, property or families according to their most deeply held values.

Under the two most recent ordinances
-- in Crested Butte and Telluride -- you can be thrown in jail
for up to one year for following your conscience.

Quite honestly, they'd like to make an example of Colorado's voters -- with a powerful, well-funded attack on schools, libraries and city councils. And no town is too small.

Colorado for Family Values is poised to continue our stand for your freedoms of belief, speech and association.

Please, stand with us.

We need your help. Will you take just a minute to send your contribution of $20, $50, $100 -- or whatever you can -- and join tens of thousands of Coloradans standing up to this unfair agenda? As we have in the past, Colorado for Family Values will turn your gift into effective, efficient action to withstand this attack on the will of our state's voters.

As we did in passing Amendment 2, we'll use the funds entrusted to us wisely -- and we'll make them count. Here's what Colorado for Family Values is doing to oppose militant homosexual agression today:

- We're bringing to the public a new book which tells the true story of Amendment 2 and the militant homosexual onslaught it stopped in Colorado. The book's called *Gay Politics versus Colorado and America: the Inside Story of Amendment 2*. Any informed citizen simply must read this important book -- whether you supported Amendment 2 or not. It's available for a $15.95 suggested donation (substantially below the retail price) on the enclosed response card.

- We're aggressively educating Colorado citizens about the push for special homosexual rights, what it means to our state and nation. We're doing that through seminars, brochures, newspapers and more.

- We're expanding our grass-roots network to oppose all efforts in Colorado to impose homosexual special rights. This effort includes trained area leaders, mobilization plans, and local-official awareness.

- We're building the most complete database of its kind to document the militant homosexual agenda -- then provide this information to citizens and groups fighting this battle in Colorado and throughout the nation.

- We're sharing the truth about Amendment 2 with Coloradans who aren't getting it from the media.

- Most of all, we're actively preparing for a defense of Amendment 2 against all efforts to strike it down.

If you value this effective, coordinated stand against homosexual extre- mism, will you join with us and help protect what's best in our society?

Colorado for Family Values operates efficiently, on the tightest of operating budgets, with a small staff and the help of generous volunteers. (Our opponents outspent us two-to-one in their losing campaign.)

Remember that no matter how strongly we oppose their political agenda, Colorado for Family Values has never advocated the least mistreatment of homosexuals. We believe that existing criminal laws protecting the safety of all citizens should be rigorously enforced. Yet as Judge Bayless recently ruled, homosexuals do not qualify for protected class status. We will do all we can to make sure this ruling is confirmed at the highest court levels.

Remember also that under Amendment 2, homosexuals can promote any agenda they wish, except they have to do it as an affluent, special interest group -- not a protected minority. Anyone opposing the militant homosexual agenda -- in the schools, for example -- could make their voice heard in the free marketplace of ideas. That's the American Way! Will you help us protect these freedoms by sending a contribution today?

Sincerely,

Will Perkins

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P.S. Attacks in the courts are only part of Colorado's militant homosexual onslaught against your rights. Please enclose your most generous gift possible to ensure that their agenda does not engulf our state.

PP.S. And make sure you order a copy of *"Gay Politics versus Colorado and America: the Inside Story of Amendment 2."* Without a doubt, it will be the most important book you read this year. Check the enclosed response card for a special, below-retail offer on this important book.